

## ANIMAL BITES

Persons bitten or scratched by wild or domesticated animals should get medical treatment immediately and report the bite to the City Department of Neighborhood Services at 286-2268. Medical care is necessary because of the threat of rabies (an incurable disease), tetanus, other infections and complications. The Department of Neighborhood Services investigates all domestic animal bite reports to locate the animal and observe it for rabies.

Identification and capture of a biting animal is vital. Don't kill the animal unless absolutely necessary to stop the attack. If killed, the head should not be damaged and should be refrigerated (but not frozen) until it can be examined. If possible, confine the animal to a garage or yard and call the Milwaukee Area Domestic Animal Control 649-8640. Other alternatives are to follow the animal to its home and/or write down an accurate description of the animal including size, breed, colors, and markings.

## MISSING ANIMALS

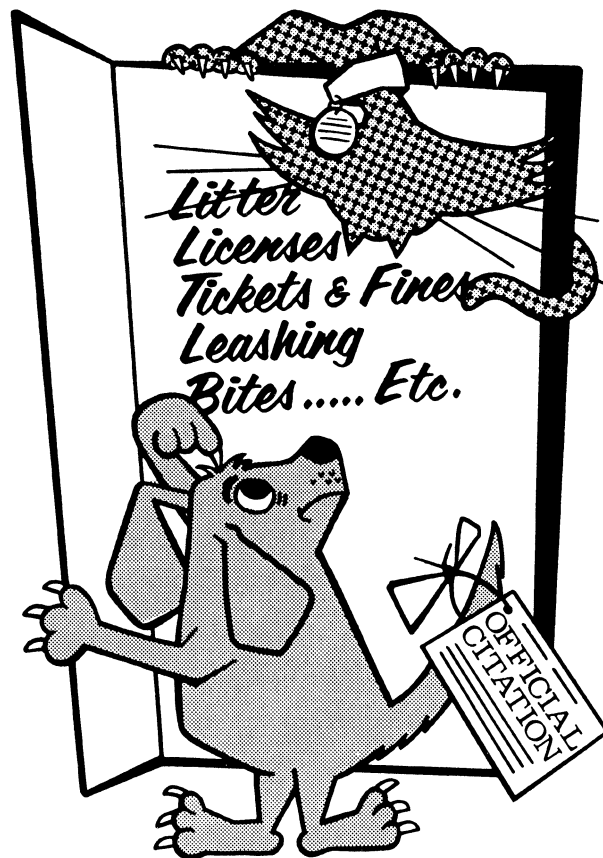
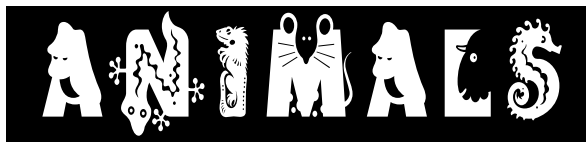
Lost and stray animals from the Milwaukee area are sent to the Milwaukee Area Domestic Animal Control, (phone 649-8640). Hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.; Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Lost or stray dogs and cats are kept for seven days. Animals can be reclaimed by their owners when they pay applicable fee, which includes a \$25 ordinance fee (fine); a \$20 impounding fee, a \$10 per day boarding fee; and the appropriate fee if not licensed.

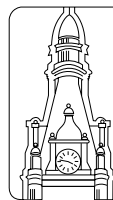


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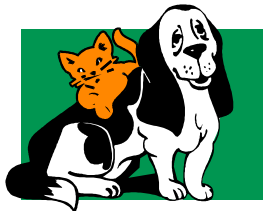


# Pleasure or Problem?



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**A** wise pet owner cares for his animals by providing food, water, shelter, and protection from disease. The responsible person also realizes that he has to protect other people from bites, attacks, and diseases caused by his pets.

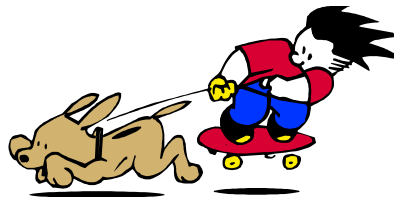
Because of the increase in stray and unwanted animals, and some irresponsible pet owners, the City of Milwaukee has passed various laws to control the resulting animal problems. Several laws are enforced through the "Milwaukee Uniform Code Violation" citation system. Tickets, similar to traffic citations (which include fines), may be issued by Department of Neighborhood Services employees such as Nuisance Control Officers, or Police Officers when they observe violations.

The following digest will aid owners in complying with the animal control laws and assist other citizens in obtaining relief from various animal nuisances.

## LITTER

No matter what you call animal litter — feces, droppings, poop — it must be cleaned up by the owner and/or person walking the animal. Litter must be removed immediately from all areas, whether private or public property, including median strips, parks, schools, or playgrounds. Commercial or home-made "pooper scoopers" may be used. For disposal, droppings should be wrapped and put into the owner's garbage cart.

- Owners (and/or those walking the animals) may be ticketed when animal litter offenses are observed by Police or Department of Neighborhood Services employees.
- Citizens observing litter incidents can report them to the Department of Neighborhood Services at 286-2268. If known, be sure to provide the address of the animal owner.



## LEASHING

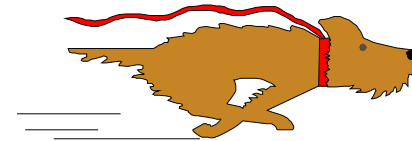
When not on owner's property or in a vehicle, animals must be on a leash not more than 6 feet in length, and the leash held by a person able to control the animal.

- Owners of unleashed (at large) animals may be ticketed by Police or Department of Neighborhood Services employees when they observe offenses.
- Citizens can report at-large animals by calling 286-2268, and giving the address of the owner and the date and time of the violation. The owner will be notified by the Department of Neighborhood Services of the violation and the ordinance. If further violations are noted, the citizen can ask that a citation be issued. The complainant must supply their name and address.
- Citizens should report stray animals to the Milwaukee Domestic Animal Control at 649-8640. Units will be dispatched to problem locations on a priority basis.

## LICENSES

All dogs and cats over five months of age are required to be licensed each calendar year. Proof of current rabies immunization must be shown when applying for a license. Applications and licenses are available from the **City Treasurer's Office, Rm. 103, City Hall, 200 E. Wells St., Milwaukee 53202**. Applications only are available at Police stations, libraries, and Milwaukee Area Domestic Animal Control. License fees for unneutered dogs and cats are \$20.00, and \$10.00 for neutered dogs and cats.

- Owners of unlicensed dogs and cats may be ticketed when the violation is noted by Police or Department of Neighborhood Services employees.
- Citizens can report unlicensed animals to the Department of Neighborhood Services at 286-2268 or the Police at 933-4444.



## RELEASING ANIMALS

It is illegal to release penned or leashed animals.

- Persons doing so can be ticketed when offenses are observed by Police or Department of Neighborhood Services employees.
- Citizens can report such incidents to the Department of Neighborhood Services at 286-2268.

## NOISY ANIMALS



It is illegal to keep animals that habitually disturb the peace. Persons disturbed by such noise must make a signed written report to the Department of Neighborhood Services, 841 N. Broadway Rm 105, Milwaukee, WI 53202 and be willing to testify in court if the owner ignores an order to stop the noise. Additional information is available by calling 286-2268.

## DANGEROUS ANIMALS

Dangerous animals are those that without provocation attack or bite any person or domestic pet, or threaten to do so. Report these animals immediately to the Police Department by calling 933-4444.

## ANIMAL FANCIER PERMIT

Persons having more than three cats and/or dogs over five months of age must have an Animal Fancier Permit. Applications are obtained by calling the Department of Neighborhood Services at 286-2268. The permit costs \$26 each year, and includes mandatory inspection of the property. There is \$15 late fee.